GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5496
ANSWERED ON:06.04.2017
Village Nyayalaya
Patel Shri Devji Mansingram

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

a) whether the Government proposes to give more power to Gram Nyayalayas and Nyaya Panchayats in the cases such as riots, encroachment of Government land, trespassing of private land or petty cases of theft, obscenities, altercations, cruelty against animals, polluting public water sources or ponds and disrespect to women for ensuring the speedy delivery of justice to the villagers and to check the wastage of time and money;

b) if so, the details thereof;

c) whether the Government proposes to convert all the Gram Nyayalayas into penal courts in the country including Rajasthan; and

d) the number of Gram Nyayalayas constituted in the country including Rajasthan till date?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) and (b) : There is no such proposal.
(c): Gram Nyayalayas can exercise both civil and criminal jurisdiction in the manner and to the extent provided under the Gram Nyayalayas Act, 2008. However, the State and Central Government may modify the First and Second Schedule of the Act in the manner and to the extent provided under the above Act.
(d): State-wise total number of Gram Nyayalayas notified and functional in the country is at Annexure.